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1. INCOMPLETE ANALYSIS OF KEYHOLE MISSIONS 1108 [] REVEALS CHINESE DEPLOYMENT OF TENT CAMPS ALONG THE SINO-SOVIET BORDER IN MANCHURIA. AT LEAST 30 TENT CAMPS TOTALING MORE THAN 800 TENTS HAVE BEEN ERECTED ALONG THE BORDER AT STRATEGIC POINTS FROM AIHUI/BLAGOVESHCHENSK, EAST AND SOUTH TO NEAR THE SINO/KOREAN/SOVIET BORDER. THE CAMPS ARE CONNECTED TO THE INTERIOR BY WELL MAINTAINED ROADS. IN ADDITION TRENCHES AND/OR ARTILLERY FIRING POSITIONS ORIENTED TOWARD THE USSR HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED AT STRATEGIC LOCATIONS ALONG THE BORDER. HIGHEST CONCENTRATIONS OF CAMPS ARE LOCATED NEAR WUYUN, KUNGSSU, AND HSINFATSUN. FIRING POSITIONS ARE LOCATED NEAR SUIFENHO, SUIFEN, AND TUNGNING.

NEITHER THE CAMPS NOR THE FIRING POSITIONS WERE PRESENT IN []

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[]-THE LAST TIME THE BORDER AREAS WERE COVERED ADEQUATELY.

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2. A NEWLY IDENTIFIED SOVIET ARMY BARRACKS AREA IS OBSERVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION 0.5 NM NORTH OF RAYCHIKHINSK AT 49-49-35N 129-23-38E, AND

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27 NM NE OF THE USSR-CHINA BORDER. THIS BARRACKS AREA IS LOCATED OPPOSITE THE AREA OF HIGHEST CHINESE CONCENTRATION. THE FACILITY CONTAINS 26 BARRACKS, 22 STORAGE BUILDINGS (8 UNDER CONSTRUCTION) AND 13 SUPPORT BUILDINGS. THREE UNIDENTIFIED BUILDINGS ARE ALSO UNDER CONSTRUCTION. A TENT CAMP NE OF THE BARRACKS AREA CONTAINS AT LEAST 120 TENTS. TWENTY POSSIBLE TENTS ARE SOUTH OF THE BARRACKS AREA. AT LEAST 300 VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT ARE OBSERVED IN THE VEHICLE PARK. THIS FACILITY WAS OBSERVED IN A VERY EARLY STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION ON _____

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3. ANALYSIS OF CHENPAO (DAMANSKY) ISLAND INDICATES THAT THE CHINESE ARE NOW HOLDING THE ISLAND. THERE IS EXTENSIVE TRENCHING ON THE WESTERN PORTION OF THE ISLAND WITH FIRING POSITIONS ORIENTED TOWARD THE USSR.

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4. STUDY OF THE ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA IS CONTINUING. WE ANTICIPATE THAT FULL ANALYSIS WILL TAKE ANOTHER TWO WEEKS. UPON COMPLETION WE WILL ISSUE A SUMMARY CABLE AND A PIR.

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